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T. A. DAWKINS, C.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.

R. K. RAYMOND, C.R.S.H.

Authorised Meat Inspector : R. A. SMART (from May, 1965)

Inspector of Premises : W. BLAKE

Senior Clerk : B. S. RAYNER

Clerk/Typist : Miss J. LIGHTFOOT

Veterinary Inspector (Part-time) : H. G. McSHANE, M.R.C.V.S.

Public Analysts for the Borough :

J. H. HAMENCE, F.R.I.C.

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75, SPRINGFIELD ROAD
CHELMSFORD
29th July, 1966

ANNUAL REPORT, 1965

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report on the health of the Borough for the year 1965. The Report has been prepared and compiled in accordance with Ministry of Health Circular 1/66 of the 11th January, 1966.

There were 1,159 live births during the year, 28 more than in 1964 which represents a Birth Rate of 21.57 per thousand of the population. For comparison purposes the Birth Rate Figure for the whole of England and Wales over the same period was 18.0.

The Infant Mortality Rate, i.e. infants dying under one year of age per thousand live births, was 11.21 compared with the figure of 19.0 for England and Wales.

There were 438 deaths during the year, giving a death rate of 8.15 per thousand of the population, the rate for England and Wales being 11.5.

During the year twenty-two investigations were made into applications for housing priority on medical grounds, and were the subject of special reports to the Housing Management Committee.

There were 103 medical examinations carried out during the year on Borough employees for the purposes of the Superannuation Scheme. There were also 5 blood tests on employees in the Water Department whose work on water mains brings them into close association with the town's water supplies.

Authentication of International Vaccination Certificates against Smallpox by my Department showed an increase during the year from 898 in 1964 to a total of 1,347 in 1965.

I am pleased to place on record that there have been no cases of Food Poisoning notified to my Department since the two cases which occurred in 1960.

In conclusion, I should like to record my thanks to all those Chief Officers who have provided me with some of the information required for this Report. In particular, my special thanks are due to Mr. R. F. Wynn, the Chief Public Health Inspector, and his Deputy Mr. N. T. Hudson, whose help and co-operation have been invaluable.

I also welcome this opportunity to convey my thanks to the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Public Health Committee for their help and encouragement during the year.

I have the honour to be,

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

J. L. MILLER WOOD,

Medical Officer of Health

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

AREA (in acres)	4755
POPULATION, 1965	53,730 (Registrar's General's estimate of resident population, mid-year). (Census, 1963—49,810.)
NUMBER OF INHABITED HOUSES (end of 1965) according to Rate Books	17,207
RATEABLE VALUE (1st April, 1965)	£3,169,640
SUM REPRESENTED BY A PENNY RATE (year ending 31st March, 1965)	£12,821

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

			Total	Male	Female	
Live Births	Legitimate	...	1 103	560	543	Birth Rate per 1,000 of the estimated Resident popula- tion mid - 1965 — 21·57
	Illegitimate	...	56	26	30	
	Totals	...	1 159	586	573	
Still Births	Legitimate	...	13	4	9	Rate per 1,000 live and still births— 21·81
	Illegitimate	...	—	—	—	
	Totals	...	13	4	9	

DEATHS

Death Rate per 1,000
of the estimated
resident popula-
tion 8·15

Death Rate of Infants under one year of age:—

All Infants per 1,000 births	... ..	11·21
Legitimate Infants per 1,000 legitimate live births	... ..	11·78

DEATHS

DEATHS AT ALL AGES DURING THE YEAR, 1965

Under 4 weeks	4 weeks and under 1 year	1-4	5-14	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65-74	over 75 and
8	5	1	1	4	3	6	35	77	109	189

DEATHS FROM ALL CAUSES, 1965

Causes of death	Males	Females	Total
Tuberculosis, respiratory	2	—	2
Tuberculosis, other	—	—	—
Syphilitic disease	—	1	1
Diphtheria	—	—	—
Whooping cough	—	—	—
Meningococcal infections	—	—	—
Acute poliomyelitis	—	—	—
Measles	—	—	—
Other infective and parasitic diseases ...	1	—	1
Malignant neoplasm, stomach	3	3	6
Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus ...	23	5	28
Malignant neoplasm, breast	—	8	8
Malignant neoplasm, uterus	—	3	3
Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms ...	33	14	47
Leukæmia, aleukæmia	—	—	—
Diabetes	2	2	4
Vascular lesions of nervous system	20	22	42
Coronary disease angina	61	39	100
Hypertension with heart disease	5	2	7
Other heart disease	6	20	26
Other circulatory disease	20	10	30
Influenza	3	—	3
Pneumonia	8	30	38
Bronchitis	10	5	15
Other diseases of the respiratory system ...	3	3	6
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	2	4	6
Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	1	1	2
Nephritis and nephrosis	1	—	1
Hyperplasia of prostate	4	—	4
Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	3	3	6
Congenital malformations	21	17	38
Other defined and ill-defined diseases ...	3	—	3
Motor vehicle accidents	4	4	8
All other accidents	—	—	—
Suicide	—	3	3
Homicide and operations of war	—	—	—
Totals	239	199	438

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE AUTHORITY (See Page 3).

The following services are provided within the Borough by the Essex County Council :—

Child Welfare Centres

Essex County Health Services Clinic, Coval Lane, Chelmsford	...	Thursdays, at 2 p.m.
Parish Hall, Springfield Road, Chelmsford	...	1st and 3rd Mondays at 2 p.m.
St. John's Hall, Vicarage Road, Chelmsford	...	Mondays, at 2 p.m.
Chelmsford Free Church, Pentland Avenue, Chelmsford (Woodhall Estate)	...	2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 2 p.m.

Essex County Health Services Clinic, Springfield Green	Thursdays at 2 p.m., and 2nd and 4th Mondays
Methodist Church Hall, Moulsham Lodge ... Estate, Chelmsford	Tuesdays 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon and Wednesdays at 2 p.m.
Church Hall, Forest Drive, Chelmsford ...	1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Tuesdays at 2 p.m.
Congregational Church Hall, Trent Road, ... Chelmsford	2nd Thursdays at 2 p.m.
Essex County Health Services Clinic, ... Melbourne Avenue, Chelmsford	Every Friday at 2 p.m.

Ante-Natal Clinics

Chelmsford and Essex Hospital, London ... Road, Chelmsford	Tuesdays, at 2.15 p.m.
Women's Welfare Clinic, Coval Lane, ... Chelmsford	Every Thursday at 10 a.m.

Ante-Natal Relaxation Classes

Relaxation Classes, Friend's Meeting House, ... Chelmsford	Monday afternoons and alternate Wednesday and Friday afternoons (By appointment).
Melbourne Avenue, Chelmsford ...	Alternate Tuesdays.
Moulsham Lodge, Chelmsford ...	Every Tuesday afternoon
Springfield Green, Chelmsford ...	Alternate Wednesday afternoons

Chest Clinic

Broomfield Hospital, Chelmsford ...	Mondays and Wednes- days, 10 a.m. to 12 noon
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School Clinics

Coval Lane, Chelmsford ...	Mondays, 10 a.m.
Melbourne Avenue, Chelmsford ...	2nd Tuesday, 10 a.m.

Ophthalmic Clinic

Coval Lane, Chelmsford ...	Tuesdays a.m. and Wed- nesdays all day. (By appointment).
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Dental Clinics

Coval Lane, Chelmsford ...	Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 9 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. (By appointment)
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Melbourne Avenue, Chelmsford	Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and 1st and 3rd Thursdays (By appointment)
Moulsham Lodge, Chelmsford	...	...	Tuesdays and Thursdays. (By appointment)
Springfield Green, Chelmsford	Wednesdays all day (by appointment)

Child Guidance Clinic

146 Broomfield Road, Chelmsford	By appointment
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Chiropody Clinics

Coval Lane, Chelmsford	Monday, Tuesday and Friday mornings and afternoons. (By appointment)
Melbourne Avenue, Chelmsford	...	...	Wednesday mornings and afternoons (By appointment)

Speech Therapy Clinics

Coval Lane, Chelmsford	...	...	Tuesdays all day and Fri- days p.m. (By appointment)
Melbourne Avenue, Chelmsford	...	...	Mondays and Fridays a.m. (By appointment)

Immunisation Clinics

Coval Lane, Chelmsford	...	...	2nd Monday, 2 p.m.
Melbourne Avenue, Chelmsford	...	...	4th Friday 2 p.m.

Health Visitors

There are six Health Visitors based at the Essex County Health Services Clinic, Coval Lane, Chelmsford, one at Essex County Health Services Clinic, Melbourne Avenue, two at Springfield Green Clinic, and three at the Essex County Health Services Clinic, Moulsham Lodge Estate. These ladies are Public Health Nurses whose duties consist in attending at various County Council Clinics and Child Welfare Centres, where they give advice as Health Teachers, with an expert knowledge of the care of young children. They also

carry out health work in the schools as School Nurses. The most important part of a Health Visitor's work, however, consists in visiting the homes of the people, where she gives advice on health matters concerning the family as a whole. She can also form a most important connecting link between the family and the facilities provided by the Local Health Authority and the General Practitioner Services under the National Health Service Act.

HOME NURSE/MIDWIVES

The following is a list of Home Nurses and Midwives who are working in the Borough:—

Home Nurses

Mrs. E. Mason (Part-time), 1, Epping Close, Chelmsford. Tel. 54132.

Mrs. M. B. Palmer, 127, Springfield Park Avenue, Chelmsford.

Tel. 52354.

Mrs. D. Rawlins, 76, Patching Hall Lane, Chelmsford. Tel. 54943.

Mrs. A. E. Oakley, 8, Rainsford Avenue, Chelmsford. Tel. 53000.

Mrs. E. J. Young, 9, Longmeads Close, Writtle. Tel. Writtle 228.

Mrs. V. E. Davies, 43, Gilmore Way, Great Baddow.

Tel. Chelmsford 71895.

Mrs. H. A. Weal (Relief), 70, Long Brandocks, Rolleston Farm Estate, Writtle. Tel. Writtle 656.

Mrs. F. M. Meek, 127, Springfield Park Avenue, Chelmsford.

Tel. 52354.

Mrs. E. Stonebank, 9, Barnard Road, Galleywood.

Tel. Chelmsford 53658.

Midwives

Miss J. Mitchell, 9, Medway Close, Chelmsford. Tel. 52246.

Miss M. F. Crisp, 19, St. John's Green, Writtle. Tel. Writtle 567.

Mrs. D. G. Sherrington, 14, Pembroke Place, Chelmsford (Part-time).

Tel. 51387.

Miss E. J. Blandford, 35, Westbourne Grove, Great Baddow.

Tel. Chelmsford 52579.

Mrs. A. W. Burrows, 1, Kirkman Road, Galleywood.

Tel. Chelmsford 71414.

Mrs. P. J. Freeman, 40, Park View Crescent, Great Baddow.

Tel. Chelmsford 71215.

Miss A. V. Moss } 4, Humber Road, Chelmsford.

Miss G. Parker } Tel. Chelmsford 52780.

Mrs. G. W. Ford, 31, Crescent Road, Great Baddow.

Tel. Chelmsford 72180.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES

This service is provided by the Essex County Council and operates from Coval Lane, Chelmsford. Telephone No. 54801.

DAY NURSERY, Waterloo Lane, Chelmsford

A forty-place Day Nursery is provided, and admission is by application to the Matron.

LABORATORY SERVICES

Laboratory Services are provided at St. John's Hospital, Wood Street, Chelmsford, and in September, 1956, the Public Health Laboratory Service opened a new Laboratory at the Chelmsford and Essex Hospital with Dr. R. Pilsworth as the Medical Director.

VENEREAL DISEASES

Treatment is available at Chelmsford & Essex Hospital, London Road, Chelmsford.

PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS

As indicated in last year's report, the Essex Association for the Welfare of the Physically Handicapped has now been established, and is operating from 80, Broomfield Road, Chelmsford (Telephone No. Chelmsford 57309), where application can be made by physically handicapped persons requiring assistance.

OLD PEOPLE'S WELFARE

The Rest Room in Legg Street, Chelmsford, has now been replaced by a Welfare Centre at 17, Cottage Place, Chelmsford, and is open daily from 10 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Mondays to Fridays and is available for all the "over-sixties." The Centre is staffed entirely by voluntary help. Light refreshments are provided and a light luncheon is served on Tuesdays and Fridays. It is used by old people from the country while waiting for buses; friends arrange to meet there: and there are cards and dominoes. Daily papers and periodicals are provided, also facilities for writing.

Every two weeks there is a bus which collects all the housebound old people who are taken to St. Andrews Hall, Boarded Barns for tea and entertainment, and at Christmas time a party is given for the Old People, where everything is cooked and served by members of the Old People's Welfare Council. Transport is provided by the Rotary Club. Grant aided holidays are also being arranged for Old People in Chelmsford and the Rural District.

During the year the Borough Council and the Rural District Council have given grants towards holidays for elderly people who were in need of one, and who had not had one for over a year or more. A number of old people from the Borough and Rural Districts took advantage of the scheme, which was organised by The Chelmsford and District Welfare Council's Visiting Sub-Committee, and a holiday was spent at Margate and was very much appreciated. A grant is also given by the Borough Council and the Rural District Council for the W.V.S. Meals on Wheels Scheme, and this service is still increasing considerably.

There are twenty-one clubs in Chelmsford and District, and there is also a Visiting Sub-Committee for those unable to attend clubs.

The Secretary of the Chelmsford and District Old People's Welfare Committee is Mrs. D. Chambers, "Sherwood," Cedar Avenue, Chelmsford. Telephone 57981.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

WATER

The quality of the water has at all times been of a satisfactory nature for public supply purposes.

During the past year the quantity of water available has been sufficient to meet the needs of the Borough.

Bacteriological examinations are made daily of the treated water as it leaves the Sandford Mill Pumping Station and frequent analyses are made of the raw water. Frequent samples are also taken from the Service Reservoir and at certain points on the distribution system. These have in all cases proved satisfactory.

The water has no plumbo-solvent action.

No contamination has occurred after treatment.

All properties within the area of supply have mains supply direct to the house.

Supply by means of standpipes—Nil.

SWIMMING POOL, WATERLOO LANE, CHELMSFORD

The Pool is of the unheated open type and is 145 feet long, 95 feet wide, and its depth varies from 3 feet to 6 feet. Water for filling the pool and topping up is drawn from the river Chelmer via a well-type catchpit. The treatment plant comprises chlorinator, soda ash, dosing plant and slow sand filter and the pool water is continuously circulated with full treatment. The treatment plant produces a water which is clear and bright, of satisfactory pH value carrying an adequate residuum of free chlorine and of excellent bacterial quality. Tests of the pH value and residual chlorine content of the water are carried out throughout the day and bacteriological examinations of the water are carried out during the swimming season.

NEW HOUSES ERECTED DURING THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1965

(1) By the Chelmsford Borough Council	...	...	87
(2) By other Local Authorities, Bodies or Persons	...	...	348

The following Schedule gives Statistical details of new Properties built by the Borough Council since the war :—

Estate	Approx. Date of Main Development	Houses	Flats	Maisonettes	Aluminium Bunga- lows	Old People's Bunga- lows	Total
Bradford Street ...	1960	—	27	—	—	—	27
Swiss Avenue ...	1959	—	—	—	—	6	6
First Avenue ...	1958	—	—	—	—	10	10
Second, Third and Fifth Avenues	1948	40	—	—	—	—	40
Baker Street ...	1958	—	33	—	—	—	33
Lady Lane ...	1957	8	—	—	—	—	8
Melbourne Park ...	1948	396	120	—	100	16	632
Melbourne Farm ...	1953/54	392	—	—	—	16	408
Pines ...	1953	105	—	—	—	14	119
Rainsford Bungalows...	1951/52/58	—	—	—	—	69	69
Upper Bridge Road ...	1949/50	5	36	—	—	—	41
Site							
Waterhouse Lane ...	1950	—	—	—	60	—	60
Woodhall ...	1951	168	107	—	—	16	291
Woodhall Extension ...	1954/55	176	32	—	—	14	222
Chignall ...	1951/52	554	80	—	—	6	640
Springfield Road ...	1958	—	—	—	—	5	5
Springfield Park ...	1948/49	215	29	—	—	40	284
Extension							
Westlands ...	1954/55	552	166	7	—	—	725
Lower Anchor Street ...	1952	3	—	—	—	—	3
Duplex Flats (Various Sites)	1946/47	—	160	—	—	—	160
Hillary Close, Arbour Lane	1960	68	—	—	—	—	68
Meadgate Estate, ...	1961/62/63	282	201	43	—	38	564
Baddow Road							
Watchouse Road Estate	1964/65/66	106	18	8	—	—	132
Sundries ...	1964/65	14	—	—	—	—	14
TOTAL							4,561

Most of Meadgate Estate and all Watchouse Road Estate developments are in the area of the Chelmsford Rural District Council.

Shops

Melbourne Park, Woodhall, Springfield, Chignall, Westlands, Meadgate ...	56
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Garages

Melbourne Park, Boarded Barns, Woodhall, Springfield Park Extension, Westlands, Melbourne Farm, Chignall, Baker Street, 2nd Avenue, 5th Avenue, Meadgate, Bradford Street, Hillary Close, Watchouse Road ...	1,040
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In addition, 1,577 pre-war dwellings are occupied in the Borough.

Pump Lane, Springfield

The Council has erected 48 three-bedroomed houses for sale primarily to Council Tenants and Applicants on the Housing Waiting List, which are all sold.

Watchouse Road

152 houses, 40 maisonettes, 102 flats and 195 garages are now in course of erection on this estate.

In addition, 44 former Council Houses have been sold to Sitting Tenants.

The Council has considered the future of the old Rainsford Estate and as a first step 38 dwellings will be demolished as soon as the present tenants can be re-housed. The site will then be redeveloped for housing.

Register of Housing Applications

The following is a Summary of applications at 3rd January, 1966:—

GROUP A (Persons in Rooms)	.....	.....	.....	524
GROUP B (Aged Persons)	.....	.....	.....	226
GROUP C (Single Persons)	.....	.....	.....	139
GROUP D (Tied Accommodation)	.....	.....	.....	287
GROUP E (Tenants)	.....	.....	.....	447
GROUP F (Slum Clearance)	.....	.....	.....	61

TOTAL 1,684 Nett

ANALYSIS OF LETTINGS, RE-LETTINGS, TRANSFERS AND MUTUAL EXCHANGES FROM WEEK COMMENCING 4TH JANUARY, 1965, UP TO AND INCLUDING WEEK COMMENCING 27TH DECEMBER, 1965.

Applicants Housed

	1964	1965
In Normal Turn ...	91	127
County Court		
Orders ...	—	2
Demolition Orders...	1	3
Clearance Areas ...	46	62
Social Services ...	16	11
Council Staff ...	18	12
Other Priorities ...	80	31
Totals ...	252	248

New Properties

	1964	1965
Meadgate Houses ...	34	—
Meadgate Old		
People's Bungalows	4	—
Meadgate Maisonettes	24	—
Meadgate Flats ...	12	—
Joint Sewerage		
Houses ...	9	—
Watchhouse Road		
Houses ...	32	70
Watchhouse Road Old		
People's Flats ...	12	6
Totals ...	127	76
Re-lettings due to Termination of Tenancies ...	125	172
Totals ...	252	248

	1964	1965
Transfers Effectuated ...	101	117
Mutual Exchanges		
(a) Between Borough Tenants ...	35	22
(b) Between Borough Tenants and other Councils ...	21	18
	56	40

NEW SEWERS LAID DURING 1965

Soil and surface water sewers have been laid during the year in connection with the development of Tile Kiln Farm estate, Springfield Hall estate, Link Homes Development south of Sunrise Avenue, St. James' Park Chignall Road and also a further length of the Can Valley Relief sewer has been laid.

PUBLIC CLEANSING

No alteration in the method of refuse collection was made during the year, but the refuse tip was moved from a site within the Borough to a site at Roxwell which mean complete reorganisation of all the refuse collection rounds.

TUBERCULOSIS
NEW CASES DURING 1965

	Respiratory		Meninges and C.N.S.		Other	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Under 1 year	—	—	—	—	—	—
1 year	—	—	—	—	—	—
2 to 4 years	—	—	—	—	—	—
5 to 9 years.....	—	—	—	—	—	—
10 to 14 years	—	—	—	—	—	—
15 to 19 years	1	—	—	—	—	—
20 to 24 years	—	—	—	—	—	—
25 to 34 years	—	—	—	—	—	—
35 to 44 years	1	—	—	—	—	—
45 to 54 years	2	—	—	—	—	—
55 to 64 years	2	—	—	—	—	—
65 to 74 years	—	—	—	—	—	—
75 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—
Age unknown	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals (All ages)	6	—	—	—	—	—

Patients with tuberculosis can obtain considerable financial help by the provision of extra milk, groceries, and in some instances clothing, on application to Mr. R. Hawkes, Secretary to the Chelmsford and District Tuberculosis Care Association, c/o Rural District Council Offices, London Road, Chelmsford.

There is a leaflet entitled "ADVICE to those who have been diagnosed as suffering from tuberculosis" issued by the County Medical Officer, which gives help and guidance to those affected.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR 1965

Disease	No. of Cases	NOTIFICATION AT AGES										Total cases notified in each Ward			
		Under 1 year	1	2	3	4	5-9	10-14	15-24	25 and over	Cases admitted to Hospital	North Ward	South Ward	East Ward	West Ward
Scarlet Fever	44	—	—	3	5	9	24	2	1	—	—	6	19	14	5
Whooping Cough	11	3	1	1	3	—	3	—	—	—	—	9	2	—	—
Measles	753	24	92	107	117	122	267	15	1	8	—	272	268	110	103
TOTALS	808	27	93	111	125	131	294	17	2	8	—	287	289	124	108

Disease	No. of Cases	Under 5 years	5-14	15-44	45-64	65 and over	Age Unknown	Cases admitted to Hospital	North Ward	South Ward	East Ward	West Ward
Pneumonia	4	3	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	1	2
Puerperal Pyrexia	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Infective Hepatitis	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
Dysentery	11	6	—	5	—	—	—	11	1	9	—	1
Typhoid Fever	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—
TOTALS	19	9	1	7	1	1	—	12	4	10	1	4

REPORT OF THE CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR FOR 1965

*To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors
of the Chelmsford Borough Council*

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the following report on work carried out during 1965.

Seldom is a report made on public health work without reference to legislation, be it an Act or Statutory Instrument which demands additional work or a change in the character of duties already being carried out. Such is progress but from time to time one finds the Staff overburdened and certain duties become neglected. In particular there has been delay in formulating a further clearance area programme, and routine visits to workplaces and food premises have been spaced out to the limit. The appointment of an "Inspector of Premises" to deal mainly with the provisions of the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963, has proved a success and the progress is recorded on page 32 from which it will be noted that such premises are in general terms in good shape with a minimum of contraventions and it is hoped to use this Officer to assist the Public Health Inspectors with revisits and routine work.

A private abattoir and meat factory has been built at Widford by Messrs. Lea & Baxter Limited; the slaughtering of food animals commenced in September and the meat factory is to be brought into use during the forthcoming year. The relative meat inspection duties are referred to on page 29.

During the last six years the department has persevered with a programme of health education and one of the results of such work has been to make the public more exacting in its purchasing of foodstuffs as well as its increased awareness of the activities of the department. In this respect many specimens of food are submitted for examination and it would appear that deterioration (such as mouldy meat pies, etc.) at retailers' premises and foreign objects in food are the main offences.

Progress in slum clearance and house repairs maintains good progress whilst a problem has arisen with certain new houses where drains have been laid consisting of pitch fibre pipes. In some cases insufficient fall has occasioned difficulties but it would appear that pitch fibre pipes require great care to be exercised to give protection against pressures on the pipes or they will distort in linearity and/or become oval in section.

In conclusion, I would like to express my thanks to the Chairman and members of the Public Health Committee for their support and to Dr. Miller Wood for his co-operation at all times; also I am grateful to my staff for their loyalty and assiduity.

I have the honour to be,

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

R. F. WYNN

Chief Public Health Inspector

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTIONS OF THE AREA

The following figures indicate the amount of inspections and work carried out at dwelling houses. Generally these inspections are initiated by complaints, mostly from tenants who are unable to get repairs carried out by direct approach to their landlords.

Relations with the general public, including property owners, are good and from year to year most of the department's requirements are affected by persuasive means.

1. INSPECTIONS OF DWELLING HOUSES DURING THE YEAR

- (1) (a) Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects:—

Public Health Act	69	}	429
Housing Act... ..	360		

- (b) Number of Inspections made for the purpose:—

Public Health Act	339	}	1,669
Housing Act... ..	1,330		

- (2) Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation 2

- (3) Number of dwelling houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation:—

Public Health Act	28	}	42
Housing Act	14		

2. REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES

Number of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority's Officers:—

Public Health Act	26	}	45
Housing Act	19		

3. ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR

Proceedings under Sections 9, 10, 16 and 17 of the Housing Act, 1957:—

- | | |
|--|---|
| (1) Demolition orders issued | 2 |
| (2) Demolition orders complied with | — |
| (3) Houses closed | — |
| Parts of Buildings Closed—Houses | — |

(4) Houses in respect of which undertakings were accepted in lieu of orders	...	...	...	...	...	—
(5) Houses demolished following undertakings in lieu of orders	...	...	...	...	...	—
(6) Houses made fit following undertakings in lieu of demolition orders	...	...	...	...	...	1
(7) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	...	...	...	...	...	—
(8) Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices :—						
(a) By owners	...	...	...	...	...	—
(b) By the Local Authority in default of owners						—

4. CLEARANCE AREAS

Houses Demolished	67
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*Summary of Inspections Made and Work Carried Out
as a Result of Notices Served or Recommendations made*

Housing Act, 1957

Informal Notices issued	...	...	...	...	...	14
„ „ complied with	...	...	...	...	...	19
Statutory Notices issued	...	...	...	...	...	—
„ „ complied with	...	...	...	...	...	—

Public Health Act, 1936

Informal Notices issued	...	...	...	...	...	55
„ „ complied with	...	...	...	...	...	57
Statutory notices issued	...	...	...	...	...	2
„ „ complied with	...	...	...	...	...	1

Inspections Made and Recorded

Houses	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,098
Tents, Vans and Sheds	...	...	...	...	...	...	74
Water Supplies	...	...	...	...	...	...	33
Schools	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Infectious Disease	...	...	...	...	...	...	62
Ponds, Ditches and Watercourses	...	...	...	...	...	...	51
Dirty and/or Verminous Houses	...	...	...	...	...	...	37
Refuse Tip	...	...	...	...	...	...	1

Inspections Made and Recorded (Cont.)

Yards and Passages ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Place of Entertainment ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
Dustbins ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	41
Drainage Inspection ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	422
Accumulations of Refuse ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	86
Keeping of Animals ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
Drain Tests ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18
Swimming Bath ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	62
Insect Infestations ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	87
Public Conveniences ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18
Workplaces ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	58
Outworkers' Premises ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
Nuisances on land ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Noise Nuisances ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	42
Smell Nuisances ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Scrap Metals Act ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3

Work Carried Out

Ceilings provided or repaired ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Floors repaired or renewed ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Windows repaired or renewed ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
Sanitary accommodation repaired or renewed ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Houses provided with horizontal damp proof courses ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Sash cords renewed ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Roofs repaired ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Internal wall plaster repaired ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Satisfactory washing facilities provided ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Drains cleansed and repaired ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	32
Internal walls rendered with impervious material ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Eaves Gutters and Fallpipes repaired ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
External walls repaired ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
W.C.'s repaired or renewed ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Chimneys repaired ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Smoke nuisance abated ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Fireplaces repaired or renewed ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2

Work Carried Out (Cont.)

Yard Paving repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Accumulations removed	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Inspection chambers provided or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Sinks provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Dustbins provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Overcrowding abated	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Water Services repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	3

Slum Clearance

The table which follows gives details of progress and the present position of the clearance area programme.

It will be seen that 313 of the 456 houses so far submitted or dealt with by informal procedure have been demolished. In addition, three houses previously excluded from Orders have now been demolished. Here again, may I express my appreciation of the close co-operation of the Housing Manager and his staff in the tackling of the difficult problem of rehousing.

POSITION REGARDING CLEARANCE AREA 8 YEAR PROGRAMME UP TO 31st DECEMBER, 1965

Year	Number and if known Clearance or Compulsory Purchase Order	Properties	Number of Properties	Present Position	Remarks
1956	1 Clearance Order ...	15, 17 and 19 Midmay Road ...	3	Houses demolished	...
	1 Clearance Order ...	1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, Parker Road ...	5	Houses demolished	...
	1 Compulsory Purchase Order	23, 25, 27, 29, 31 and 33 Coval Lane ...	6	Houses demolished	...
	—	130 and 132 Coval Lane ...	2	—	Removed from programme as houses made fit.
	1 Compulsory Purchase Order	13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 New Street ...	5	Houses demolished	...
	2 Compulsory Purchase Orders	6, 7, 8, 9, 12 and 13 Legg Street ...	6	Houses demolished	...
	1 Compulsory Purchase Order	1, 2, 5 and 6 Church Square, and 4 and 5 Church Street ...	6	Houses demolished	...
	2 Compulsory Purchase Orders	1, 2, 8 and 9 Church Street ...	4	Houses demolished	...
1957	1 Compulsory Purchase Order	7, 7a, 8 and 9 New Street ...	4	Properties demolished	...
	1 Clearance Order ...	1, 2, 3 and 4 Crows Cottages, Chignal Road ...	4	3 and 4 Clearance Order not confirmed	1 and 2 were demolished by owner by informal action, 3 and 4 reconstructed to form one house.
	1 Clearance Order ...	69, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79 and 81 Rainsford Road ...	7	Houses demolished	...
	1 Clearance Order ...	23, 24, 25 Hall Street and 1 Orchard Street ...	7	Houses demolished	...
	1 Clearance Order ...	40, 41 and 42 Orchard Street ...	...	...	...
	1 Clearance Order ...	1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 Roman Road and 16 and 17 Hall Street ...	8	1, 2, 3 and 6 Roman Road, and 17 Hall Street Clearance Order confirmed 4 and 5 Roman Road, and 16 Hall Street Order not confirmed	All properties except 16, Hall Street demolished 4 and 5 Roman Road by Demolition Order.
	1 Compulsory Purchase Order	3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 George Street ...	6	Houses demolished	...
	1 Compulsory Purchase Order	9, 10, 11 and 12 George Street ...	4	Houses demolished	...
	1 Compulsory Purchase Order	13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 George Street, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 Wells Row, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 and 36 George Street	29	Houses demolished	...

POSITION REGARDING CLEARANCE AREA 8 YEAR PROGRAMME UP TO 31st DECEMBER, 1965

Year	Number and if known Clearance or Compulsory Purchase Order	Properties	Number of Properties	Present Position	Remarks
1957	1 Clearance Order ...	13, 15, 17, 19 and 21 Wood Street ...	5	Houses demolished	...
1958	1 Clearance Order ...	35, 37, 39 and 41 Arbour Lane (formerly known as 1, 2, 3 and 4 Alma Cottages)	4	Houses demolished	...
	1 Clearance Order ...	1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 Navigation Cottages, Wharf Road ...	6	Order confirmed with the exception of No. 5	Houses demolished.
	1 Clearance Order ...	7a, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 Provident Square, and empty dilapidated cottage in Provident Square ...	7	Houses demolished	...
	1 Compulsory Purchase ...	1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 Timons Lane, and 282, 284, 286, 288, 290 and 292 Springfield Road ...	11	Houses demolished	...
		1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 Navigation Road ...	8		
1959	1 Clearance Order ...	50, 52, 54, 56 and 58 Springfield Road	5	Houses demolished	...
	1 Compulsory Purchase Order ...	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 Friars Place	7	Houses demolished	...
	1 Clearance Order ...	93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99 and 100 Moulsham Street ...	8	Houses demolished	...
	1 Compulsory Purchase Order ...	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 Haycocks Row, and 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 Compasses Row ...	34	Houses demolished	...
	1 Clearance Order ...	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 Coopers Row ...	11	Houses demolished	...
	1 Clearance Order ...	2 Cottages in Lawn Lane ...	2	Houses demolished	...
	1 Clearance Order ...	256, 258 and 260 Rainsford Road	3	Houses demolished	...
	1 Clearance Order ...	202 and 204 Rainsford Road	2	Houses demolished	...
1960	1 Clearance Order ...	1, 2 and 3 Hall Cottages, Widford	3	Houses demolished	...
	1 Compulsory Purchase Order ...	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and Chelmer Cottage, Chelmer Place, and 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 St. Annes Place ...	35	Houses demolished	...

Houses demolished by owner by informal action.

POSITION REGARDING CLEARANCE AREA 8 YEAR PROGRAMME UP TO 31st DECEMBER, 1965

1960	1	Compulsory Purchase Order	...	158, 160, 162, 164, 166, 168, 170, 172, 174, 176 and 178 Baddow Road	...	11	Houses demolished	...	...	...	...	Demolition Order procedure instituted. Houses made fit after undertaking.
				5 and 6 The Chase, Mildmay Road	...	2						
1961	1	...	...	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 & 13 Glebe Road.	...	13	Houses demolished	...	...	...	...
	1	...	...	21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 & 31 Glebe Road	...	11	Houses demolished	...	...	...	...
	1	...	...	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36 & 37 Victoria Road and 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, & 10 Victoria Square	...	47	Houses in course of demolition	...	...	...	...
1962	1	...	...	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11 Hope Square	...	11						
	1	...	...	86, 87 & 88 Moulsham Street	...	3	Houses demolished	...	...	...	...
	1	...	...	69, 70, 71 & 72 Moulsham Street	...	4						
	1	...	...	8 and 9 Friars Place and 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 Blackfriars	...	8						
	1	...	...	1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 Lower Anchor Street	...	5						
	1	...	...	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 Phillips Cottages, Orchard House and Orchard Cottage, Church Lane	...	22	Orders confirmed and awaiting demolition	...	...	...	...
1963	1	...	...	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 The Vineyards, Park Road	...	11	Clearance Area revoked and formal undertaking accepted in lieu of demolition orders	...	...	...	...	All houses demolished.
1963	1	...	...	10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 Lionfield Terrace	...	5						Awaiting vacation.
	1	...	...	14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36 and 38 Arbour Lane	...	13						
	1	...	...	375, 377, 379, 381, 383, 385, 387, 389, 391, 393, 395, 403, 405, 407 and 409 Springfield Road	...	15	Orders confirmed	...	...	...	...	Awaiting vacation.
	1	...	...	30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45 and 46 Lower Anchor Street	...	17						
	1	...	...	15, 17, 19, 21, 23 and 25 Widford Chase	...	6	Orders confirmed	...	...	...	...	No. 30 Street order excluded from
	1	...	...	16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34 Springfield Green	...	10						Awaiting vacation.

Food and Drugs Act, 1955 (Including Food Hygiene Regulations)

The statistics given in this section give an overall picture of the day-to-day work of the public health inspectors.

Informal Notices issued	...	...	...	...	...	...	112
„ „ complied	...	...	...	...	...	...	84

The numbers and types of food businesses within the Borough are given below :—

Types of Business at end of 1965

Dairies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Fish Friers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Canteens—Schools	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34
Greengrocer and Fruiterer	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	37
Sweet Confectionery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	57
Restaurants and Cafés	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	56
Butchers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	33
Fishmongers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13
Grocers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	70
General Stores	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Wholesale Warehouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
Canteens—Factories, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	39
Bakers Confectionery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22
Residential Homes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Nursery Schools	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Soft Drink Manufacturers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Cooked Meat Shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Corn Merchants	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Vegetable Packing Station	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Hotels and Boarding Houses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
Poultry Plucking	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Herbalist	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Hospitals	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Hostels	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Clubs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	19
Flour Millers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Maltsters	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Departmental Stores	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Licensed Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	65
Wholesale Meat Markets	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Brewery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Cooked Meals Shop	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1

Inspections Made and Recorded

Butcher's Shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	129
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23
Factory Canteens, Wholesale Stores, Warehouses, etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	369
Cafés and Restaurants	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	211
Licensed Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	56
Dairies and Milkshops	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	61
Fried Fish Shops	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	41
Fishmongers and Poulterers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18
Grocers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	286
Greengrocers and Fruiterers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	56
Ice Cream Premises/Confectioners	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	92
Food preparing Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20
School Canteens	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	65
Stalls	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	246

Work Carried Out

Food Protection provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Sink provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Wash Hands Notices provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Clothing Store provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Repairs to walls, floors, doors, windows and ceilings	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24
Rooms suitably lighted and/or ventilated	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Wash Basin provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Hot Water provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13
Cold Water provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Rooms redecorated and cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23
First Aid equipment provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Soap, Towel and Nail Brush provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Name and Address displayed on Stalls	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Sanitary Conveniences cleansed and repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
„ „ lighted/ventilated	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Intervening Ventilated Lobbies provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Articles/Equipment cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Articles and/or Equipment repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Floors cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Stalls suitably lighted	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Refuse removed from food room	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Hot water provided for washing equipment	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Containers kept free from contamination	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2

The following food which has been condemned and surrendered as unfit has been collected by the department's van and destroyed (where salvage is impracticable):—

1,817 tins fruit	103 pkts. frozen sponges/ cakes
37 tins cream	1 pkt. custard powder
216 tins peas	2 pkts. cake/sponge mix
1 tin ravioli	67 pkts. potato chips
157 tins meat	429 pkts. frozen fish products
101 tins baby food	19 pkts. pastry
37 tins jam/marmalade	171 pkts. beefburgers
40 tins salmon	690 pkts. peas
19 tins spaghetti	6 pkts. cheeseburgers
358 tins tomatoes	70 pkts. meat products.
76 tins carrots	11 pkts. frozen dinners
99 tins beans	40 lbs. salmon
21 tins meat pudding/pies	424 lbs. liver
5 tins sweet corn	1,038 lbs. lamb
6 tins tomato puree	2,001 lbs. beef
1 tin beetroot	250 lbs. ox tongues/kidneys
45 tins rice pudding	778 lbs. pork
118 tins milk	42 lbs. veal
118 tins fish	88 lbs. corned beef
34 tins soup	117 lbs. ham
114 tins luncheon meat	12 lbs. luncheon meat
7 tins asparagus	145 lbs. offal
1 tin mixed grill	317 galls. tomato juice
3 tins syrup	154 galls. grapefruit juice
165 tins fruit juice	343 galls. pineapple juice
19 tins macaroni	499 galls. orange juice
21 tins pie filling	22 jars paste
18 tins sago	1 jar honey
1 btl. sauce	24 jars prawns/shrimps
54 pkts. mousse	1 jar cheese savoury
690 pkts. frozen vegetables	
171 pkts. frozen meat products	

Bacteriological Examination and Analysis

The following samples have been submitted for bacteriological examination and all unsatisfactory results have been investigated.

It will be seen that from 64 samples of ice creams and iced lollies 7 were unsatisfactory. Investigations were made and subsequent samples proved to be satisfactory. Two of the ice cream samples were from bulk containers and it was considered that the water used for storing the ice cream servers was not in a satisfactory state of cleanliness.

The unsatisfactory swimming bath water samples were investigated very carefully and after more satisfactory sterilisation methods had been adopted further samples have proved to be satisfactory. The improvements mentioned in my previous report, which were in progress at the local open air private swimming pool, are complete and samples taken here have proved to be satisfactory.

Very thorough and careful investigations were carried out concerning the unsatisfactory milk bottles. There is no legal standard relating to the cleanliness of milk bottles. By the end of the year the cause of the trouble in these cases was traced and follow-up samples and tests showed satisfactory results.

The unsatisfactory water samples were taken from a well supplying water to two houses. It is pleasing to note that these houses are now connected to the town's water supply.

					Samples				Unsatis-
					Taken		Satisfactory		factory
Ice-cream	...	...	...	...	48	...	45	...	3
Ice-lollies	...	...	...	...	16	...	12	...	4
Ice-cream products	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	—
Bakers Confectionery	...	...	...	...	12	...	12	...	—
Swimming Bath Water	...	...	...	...	47	...	38	...	9
Water	...	...	...	...	12	...	7	...	5
Cooked Meat	...	...	...	...	5	...	5	...	—
Sausages	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	—
Meat Pies/Patty's	...	...	...	...	12	...	12	...	—
Churn Rinses	...	...	...	...	9	...	6	...	3
Milk Bottles	...	...	...	...	14	...	3	...	11
Cream	...	...	...	...	4	...	4	...	—
Pasteurised Milk	...	...	...	...	65	...	63	...	2
T.T. (homogenized) Milk	...	...	...	...	16	...	15	...	1
Sterilised Milk	...	...	...	...	10	...	10	...	—
T.T. Channel Island Pasteurised Milk	...	...	...	...	14	...	14	...	—
Salmon Paste	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	—
Cordials	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	—
Liquid Egg	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	—

Details of samples tested or submitted for analysis by the Public Analysts for Chelmsford Borough during the period 1st January, 1965, to 31st December, 1965, are given on the following page.

The 69 samples of milk contained an average of 4.06% butter fat and 8.9% solids non-fat, these being well above the statutory standards.

Three manufacturers of pork sausages failed to display notices declaring that their product contained preservatives.

Unusual flavour of sample of tinned corned beef was found to be due to oxidation.

Labels on tins of anti-smoking tablets gave incorrect indication of contents.

Discolouration of sample of slices of white bread due to mould growth.

A sample of vitamin syrup was found to be seriously deficient in Vitamin A from the declared amount given on the container label.

A sample of lean minced steak was found to contain an excess of amount of fat.

A sample of raw chipped potatoes contained an amount of sulphur dioxide in excess of the limit permitted by the Food Regulations.

In the case of the anti-smoking tablets legal proceedings were instituted against the manufacturers in accordance with the Food & Drugs Act. Fines totalling £20 with £7 17s. 6d. costs were imposed.

Each of the other cases received thorough investigation and the trader's attention has been drawn to unsatisfactory products. Where necessary, follow up samples have been taken and manufacturers and retailers are usually prepared to co-operate.

	Samples			Not		
	Taken	Genuine		Genuine		
Milks	69	69	...	—		
Sausages and other Meat products ...	34	29	...	5		
Butter, Cheese and other fats ...	7	7	...	—		
Jams, Jellies and Marmalade ...	5	5	...	—		
Cordials/Minerals	9	9	...	—		
Soups and Sauces	6	6	...	—		
Sweet confectionery	11	11	...	—		
Bread	6	5	...	1		
Ice-cream	6	6	...	—		
Tinned Milks and Creams	13	13	...	—		
Spirits	7	7	...	—		
Medicines, Health Foods	15	14	...	1		
Custard Powder, Cake Fillings, etc. ...	2	2	...	—		
Flavouring/Colouring	7	7	...	—		
Vinegar	5	5	...	—		
Anti-Smoking Tablets	2	—	...	2		
Other Miscellaneous Foods	12	11	...	1		

The following is a list of the types of complaints received during the year :—

Complaints				Complaints			
No. of				No. of			
Unfit corned beef	3			Cigarette in loaf of bread ...	1		
Mouldy pies	4			Mouldy bread	1		
Unfit fruit juice	2			Dirty milk bottle	1		
Unfit Easter Egg	1			Dirt in bread	2		
Glass in toffee	1			Maggots in carrots	1		
Unfit tin of prawns	1			Wire in meat patty	1		
Worms in fish	1			Mouldy pears	1		
Unfit apricots	1						

Each of these complaints received thorough investigation. In the case of the cigarette in the loaf of bread, legal proceedings were instituted against the manufacturers who were fined £20 and £2 2s. 0d. costs.

Meat Inspection

When the new private abattoir opened during September, the weekly kill increased considerably. With the appointment of an Authorised Meat Inspector earlier in the year, 100% meat inspection was maintained.

Notwithstanding the increased number of carcasses inspected, there has been no case of tuberculosis in bovine carcasses. The incidence of this disease in pigs, however, has once more increased from 1.01% to 1.39%.

Cysticercus bovis was found in two carcasses, the lesions being traced to the external masseter muscles.

All unfit meat is disposed of in the manner required by the appropriate Regulations, the total weight of meat condemned was 27,259 lbs.

The following carcasses were examined at the three slaughterhouses: 59 Cows, 4,713 Cattle, 179 Calves, 14,019 Sheep, 13,284 Pigs, making a total number of 32,254 compared with 21,434 in 1964.

CARCASSES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cows	Cattle	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed	59	4,713	179	14,019	13,284
Number inspected	59	4,713	179	14,019	13,284
All diseases except Tuberculosis— Whole carcasses condemned ...	1	2	8	10	12
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	23	1,231	8	886	1,123
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis	40.68	26.16	8.93	6.39	8.54
Tuberculosis only— Whole carcasses condemned	—	—	—	—	—
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	—	—	—	—	185
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	—	—	—	—	1.39
Cysticercosis— Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	—	2	—	—	—
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration	—	2	—	—	—
Generalised and totally condemned	—	—	—	—	—

Essex County Council Act

There are 176 premises registered for sale of ice-cream and 191 persons registered as vendors and two persons and premises registered for the manufacture of ice cream.

During the year there have been 8 new vendors and 4 new premises registered.

The two manufacturers within the Borough use the "complete cold mix" methods.

Both shops and mobile shops are greatly improved giving testimony to the policy of educating both traders and the public.

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

The Council's free service to householders continues with success, the public co-operating in reporting infestations, which means that a more efficient treatment is possible both of individual dwellings and of larger areas.

During the year 680 infested premises have been treated, involving a total of 2,843 visits.

FACTORIES ACT, 1961**Inspections**

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written notices	Occupiers prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	12	2	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the local Authority	221	183	14	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	9	31	5	—
TOTAL	242	216	19	—

Defects

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	Referred By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	—	—	—	—	—
Overcrowding (S.2)	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient	—	1	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective	16	19	10	—	—
(c) Not separate for sexes	—	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Out-work)	1	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	17	20	10	—	—

Outworkers

Nature of Work	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 133(1) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
Wearing apparel	Making etc.,	2	—	—	—	—
	Cleaning and Washing	—	—	—	—	—
Curtains and Furniture hangings ...	6	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	8	—	—	—	—	—

THE OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

Summary of Registrations, Inspections, Contraventions and Work carried out during the Year ended 31st December, 1965

Class of Premises	No. of Premises Registered during the year	Total Registered Premises at end of year	No. of Registered Premises receiving a general inspection during 1965
Offices	32	268	119
Retail Shops	42	436	176
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	5	34	23
Catering Establishments open to the public, canteens	13	82	53
Fuel storage Depots	—	2	2
	92	822	373

Total number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to Registered premises under the Act 2,251

Persons employed in registered premises

	No. of Persons
Offices	3,171
Retail Shops	3,001
Wholesale departments, warehouses	329
Catering Establishments open to the public	600
Canteens	74
Fuel Storage Depots	14
Total Males 3,082.	Total Females 4,107
	7,189

Analysis of Contraventions and work carried out

Detail	Contraventions Found	Remedied	Detail	Contraventions Found	Remedied
Cleanliness	18	14	Seats (Sedentary Workers)	6	12
Overcrowding	19	16	Eating facilities	1	5
Temperature	19	33	Floors, passages & stairs	70	30
Ventilation	52	31	Fencing exposed machinery	30	10
Lighting	8	8	Provision of Thermometers	215	393
Sanitary Conveniences	149	128	Notices	693	308
Washing facilities	130	75	First Aid General Provision	150	386
Supply of Drinking Water	8	6	Clothing Accommodation	53	70
The remedial work mentioned above relates to contraventions found during 1964/5				1,621	1,525

Accidents

During the year there were 18 non-fatal accidents reported and investigated.